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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,000,000

Head Office: YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO, KOBÉ,
NAGASAKI, LONDON,
LYONS, NEW YORK,
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
BOMBAY, SHANGHAI,
TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG,
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000

Sterling Reserve.....\$10,000,000

Silver Reserve.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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E. SHILLIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
HONGKONG—J. R. M. SMITH.

SHANGHAI—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per

cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED

DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£343,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:
Chan Kit Shao, Esq., J. Scott Harston, Esq.,
Chow Tung Shao, Esq., J. Lauts, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow,
Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kintschou).

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.,
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

learned on application. Every description of

Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [16]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1903. [17]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK

(AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000

SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS.....\$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VŒUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business

transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.

On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " 3 1/2 "

" 12 " 4 1/2 "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [698d]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES

OF AMERICA IN CHINA AND THE

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Capital paid in, Gold \$4,000,000.....£ 820,000

Surplus (Reserve) Gold \$4,000,000.....£ 820,000

Total.....Gold \$8,000,000.....£1,640,000

Capital and Surplus authorised, Gold \$10,000,000

=£2,055,000.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF

ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S

BANK, LIMITED.

The Corporation buys and sells Bills of

Exchange, issues Letters of Credit and carries

on every description of Banking and Exchange

business. Money received on Current Deposit

Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum

on the daily balances, and on Fixed Deposit

as follows:
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " 4 " "

" 3 " 3 1/2 "

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1903. [100c]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE

OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:
CANTON, PENANG,
CHEFOO, SINGAPORE,
HANKOW, TIENTSIN,
PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection

Bills of Exchange drawn on the above

places, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Trans-

fers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities.

Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

3 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4 1/2 " " " 6 " "

5 1/2 " " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [12]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE

HOLDERS.....£725,000

RESERVE FUND.....£725,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT

ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per

annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent.

" " " 6 " " 3 1/2 "

" " " 3 " " 3 1/4 "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [11]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	SUMATRA	About 18th September	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea).	JAVA	About 19th September	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	COROMANDEL	About 25th September	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	BALLAARAT	Noon, 26th September	See Special Advertisement.

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG; PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS; Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage. N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY, 16th September.
ZITEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th September.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 14th October.
AOON	WEDNESDAY, 28th October.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 11th November.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 25th November.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 9th December.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 23rd December.
KLAUSCHOU	WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.
AOON	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of September, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "BAVERN," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Fornes, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 14th instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 15th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [563c]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW STOCK OF SHOOTING & WALKING BOOTS.

TWEED HATS AND CAPS.
RAINCOATS AND WATERPROOFS.
FOX'S PATENT SPIRAL PUTTIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [732c]

THOMAS' HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, comfortably furnished, and most centrally situated, being in close proximity to the Banks and principal business places.

SPECIALLY REDUCED SUMMER RATES.

For Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER.

[810c]

MACAO HOTEL

(Late HING KEE HOTEL).

This FAVOURITE and LONG ESTABLISHED Hotel is situated on the SEA-FRONT commanding a MAGNIFICENT VIEW of the Harbour and adjacent islands, and is open to the COOL SOUTHERLY BREEZES in Summer.

The BED-ROOMS are LARGE, COOL, AIRY, WELL-VENTILATED and HANDSOMELY FURNISHED. The CUISINE is EXCELLENT and under direct EUROPEAN supervision.

PIC-NIC, SHOOTING or BOATING parties specially catered for. A commodious and comfortable stern-wheel HOUSE-BOAT, with sleeping accommodation for six passengers and EVERY CONVENIENCE, is provided for the use of visitors AT REASONABLE RATES.

A MILITARY BAND PLAYS in the Gardens, close to the Hotel, three times a week.

SEA BATHING.

STEAMERS to and from Macao, every MORNING and AFTERNOON.

WM. FARMER,
Proprietor and Manager.

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Intimations.

"I hear they want more



Bovril
fortifies
the system.

BOVRIL is
an extremely palatable
drink, and a stimulant
that has no bad after-
effects. It is also a
replacer of used-up
tissue and energy;
while it enables the
system to endure
fatigue and to repel
disease.

JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE—1, SURUGA-CHO, TOKYO.
LONDON BRANCH—34, LIME STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG BRANCH—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy, Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama, Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maidzuru, Kure, Shimonoseki, Moji, Wakamatsu, Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinotsu, Sasebo, Miike, Hakodate, Taipeh, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.C. and A.I. Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armaments and the State Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and SOLE AGENTS for Fujinotani, Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Mameda, Mannoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yuzokibara and other Coals. N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong.

H. PRICE & CO.,

WINE MERCHANTS,

12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc., at a moment's notice.

Contracts made on special terms with Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [952c]



COOLALTA WINES.

FROM THE CELEBRATED COOLALTA VINEYARDS, NEW SOUTH WALES.

These excellent Wines are strongly recommended to Invalids.

Telephone No 75.

BURGUNDY, Extra quality.
CLARET, Full body, excellent flavor.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903. [12]

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL

(ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.)

CODE ADDRESS: "YOSEMITE."

35 BEDROOMS EXCELLENTLY FURNISHED. BATH TO EACH ROOM. DINING ROOM AND CUISINE UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION.

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS.
POOL AND BILLIARDS.

ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND MANILA NEWSPAPERS IN FILE.
TERMS.—\$4.00 to \$7.00 per day. \$75 to \$120 per month.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903. JAS. D. M. CAMERON, Manager. [555c]

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE.

31, 33, 40 and 41, NORTH SOOCHOW ROAD—SHANGHAI.

PLEASANT AND CENTRAL SITUATION, FACING SOUTH.

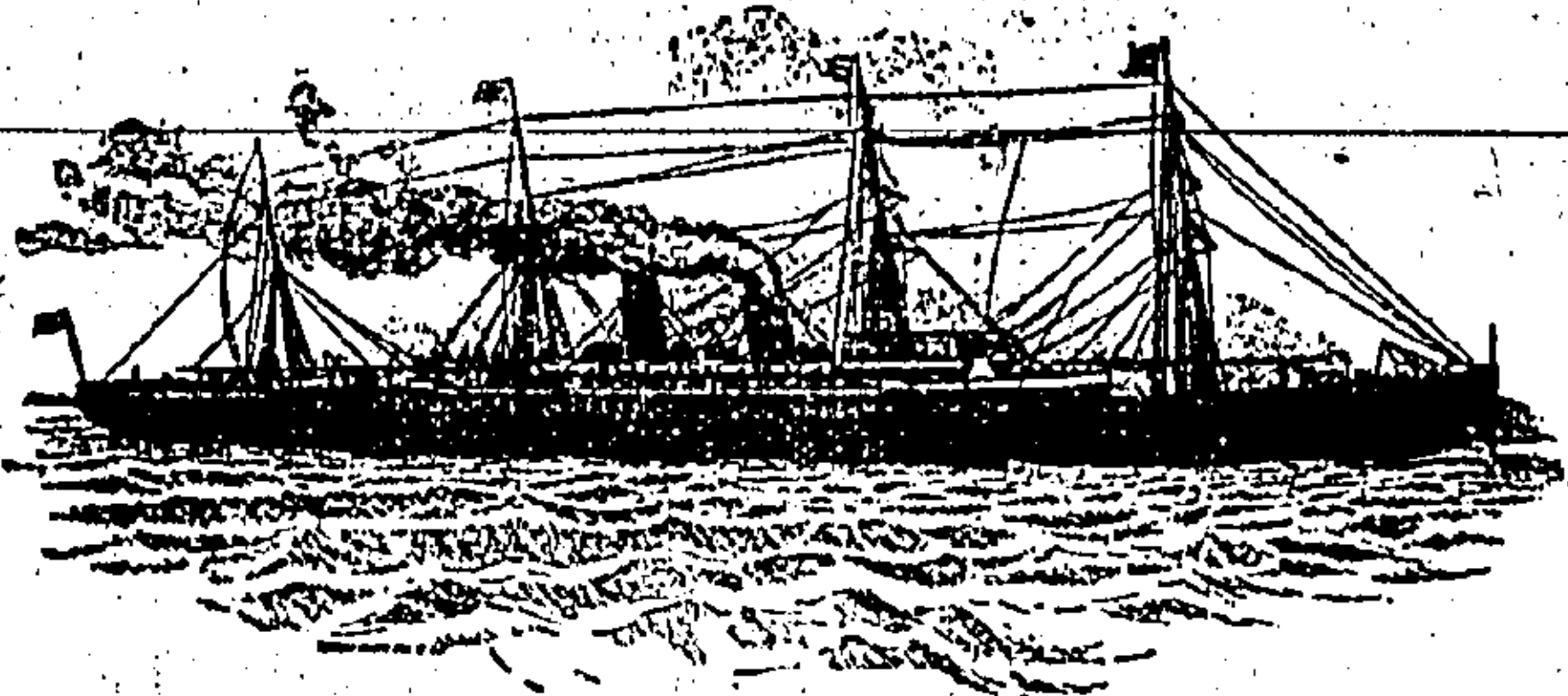
THIS HIGH-CLASS BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT has Well-furnished Rooms by the Day or Month.

Telegraphic Address: "MARLBOROUGH." Telephone: No. 580.

Shanghai, 6th June, 1903. Mrs. NAZER. [674c]

Mails.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Ship	Sailing Date	Destination
"SIBERIA"	WEDNESDAY, 16th September, at Daylight.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOREA"	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOROKU MARU"	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOROKU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 23rd October, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOROKU MARU"	FRIDAY, 6th November, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOROKU MARU"	SATURDAY, 14th November, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
"KOROKU MARU"	TUESDAY, 24th November, at Noon.	San Francisco, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "SIBERIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via MACAO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (first-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
EXPRESS Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
M.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 23rd September.

Ship	Sailing Date	Destination
"TARTAR"	4:15	WEDNESDAY, 7th October.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
"ATHENIAN"	3:30	WEDNESDAY, 14th November.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"ATHENIAN"	3:30	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"TARTAR"	4:15	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
"ATHENIAN"	3:30	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6:00	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO ANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at encounter with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, second to none in the World, the LUXURANCE of ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Priddy's Street.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Proposed SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Ship	Sailing Date	Destination
"ONIGSBERG"	13th Sept.	Freight and Passengers.
"Mayer"	23rd Sept.	Freight.
"NDALUSIA"	6th October.	Freight.
"von Döhren"	20th October.	Freight.
"BESSINIA"	3rd Nov.	Freight.
"Filer"		
"RISGA VIA"		
"Schulke"		
"XONIA"		
"Brehmer"		

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,303 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN," 2,338 " " " " G. R. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN," 2,200 " " " " A. W. Dixon.
"HANKOW," 3,073 " " " " C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN," 3,000 " " " " J. J. Lussus.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5:30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNG SHAN," 1,998 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at about 1 P.M. as per special Schedule. } Sunday Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at about 7:30 A.M. } excepted.

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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7:30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7:30 A.M.

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Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [553e]

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [1]

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [1339c]

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Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I and A. B. O. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 31st day of October, 1903, at NOON, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS will be proposed, viz:—

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the present shareholders of the Company at par in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every two old shares in the Company held by the respective shareholders thereof, the amount payable on each of such new shares, respectively to be paid at such time or times and in such manner as the Company by its General Managers may hereafter determine.

2. That Article No. 82 of the Articles of Association of the Company be cancelled and the following Article substituted therefor:—

"The remuneration of the General Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum (which shall cover office rent but not salaries of Secretary and other employees) and a commission of 5 per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year that such profits amount to 7 per cent. of the Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed they will be submitted for confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS to a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

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ON and after the 9th September, the S.S. "WING CHAI" will berth at the New Wharf at the WESTERN END OF WING LOK STREET.

WING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [1092e]

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [1092e]

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1st September, 1903. [650e]

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PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$4.75 ex Factory.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [19]

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [591d]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, on SATURDAY, the 26th September, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1903.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 26th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903. [1104e]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

AQUATIC SPORTS 1903.

THE ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS will be held on the 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th instant, in the CLYD ENCLOSURE, Austin Road, Kowloon.

Sports commence 15th and 16th at 4:30 P.M. and on the 17th and 18th instant at 4 P.M. sharp.

Admission for Gentlemen 50 cents each day. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform half price.

Tickets for Admission may be obtained from the Steward, V.R.C., on the Day of the Sports.

FRANK W. WHITE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [1095e]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

AQUATIC SPORTS 1903.

THE COMMITTEE of the Victoria Recreation Club request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong at the Club Enclosure, Austin Road, Kowloon, on THURSDAY, 17th, and SATURDAY, 19th instant, at 4 P.M. sharp, on the occasion of the annual Aquatic Sports.

By kind Permission of Lieut. Col. W. S. Birdwood and Officers, the Band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry will play during the afternoon.

FRANK W. WHITE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [1095e]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE at a Target, which was to be held on the 2nd instant, from Stonecutters' Island, has been postponed, owing to bad weather, till the 16th instant, or, if the weather is not favourable on that day, till the 18th instant.

Practice will commence at about 7 A.M. and end at about 9 A.M. if the range is clear.

By Command, F. H. MAX, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd September, 1903. [1097e]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP LINE FROM JAVA TO CHINA AND JAPAN, AND BACK.

THE HEAD AGENCY of the above Company has been OPENED at No. 35, DUNDRELL STREET.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [1048e]

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NOTE.—Port, after removal, should be rested for a month before use.

Wine required for IMMEDIATE use should be ordered to be decanted before being sent out.

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Hongkong, 29th August, 1903.

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TELEPHONE, 352.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

[355d]

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made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 14, 1903.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The steady drop in exchange within the past few days has been regarded as the shadow cast before the coming event. Rumour has gained currency locally that the next step in the course of the Straits Settlements Government to carry out the recommendations of the Straits Currency Commission is to fix the 24th instant as the day on which a fixed ratio will be established between the Straits dollar and the sovereign. We, in Hongkong, can cast but longing eyes to our happier brethren in the sister colony; for the consummation of the wish for a stable dollar in our midst is as far removed as ever. The advisability of fixity of exchange for Hongkong has been discussed and resolved beyond the stage of mere polemics. The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, by a majority of its members, have decided for a reform in the currency of the Colony. All that remained to be done was the concurrence of the Government to secure the end for which many have agitated and from which but a few dissent. Yet all that Government appears to have done was to transmit the resolution forwarded by the Chamber of Commerce to the officials in Downing Street at whose tender mercy the trade interest of the Colony must be content to rest and await the pleasure of the gods of the Colonial Office before even a reply is vouchsafed to the community by whose capital and enterprise the Colony is run for high-salaried officials who thrive on a depreciated dollar by reason of the famous Exchange Compensation Scheme foisted upon the taxpayers with the acquiescence of our inebriate Unofficials. Lest further time be lost we would commend to the consideration of our so-called representatives on the legislative assembly whether, of all questions, the most pressing is not that of the exchange. Many there are who will be in accord with us that the Government should be awakened to a sense of their duty and responsibility to the community in this all-important matter of our currency. A reply from the home officials ought to be urged for. Now or never is the opportunity for Hongkong. Delay may be followed by as big a slump in silver as that which preceded the publication of the report of the Straits Commission and may render any scheme of conversion for Hongkong beyond the limits of the Colony's finances to bear.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Fire Brigade was turned out on Saturday night to a false alarm.

THE French mail of the 11th August was delivered in London on the 10th inst.

No plague cases were recorded during the forty-eight hours ended at noon to-day.

H.M.S. *Thetis*, with four sloops, goes up the Yangtze for a month's cruise on the 21st inst.

BUBONIC plague is spreading in Cebu, and cholera appears to be making headway in Manila.

Do your own developing without a dark room by using an Eastman developing machine. LeMunyon.—*Adv.*

POPE Pius X is gaining strength daily. Fear that he would not live more than a few weeks, which was expressed some days ago, is absent now.

MR. Root, the Secretary for War, has prohibited tail-docking and all unnecessary clipping of the tails and manes of horses in the military service.

We hear that the Sherwood Foresters intend holding their Regimental Athletic Sports at the V.R.C. enclosure, kindly lent for the occasion, on the 22nd inst.

It is stated that the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank intends to establish a branch establishment in Peking. This enterprise is supported by the German Minister.

THE celebrated traveller, Mr. A. H. Savage Landor, arrived from Manila (his afternoon) and is leaving for America per the *Siberia* on Wednesday at daylight.

AN unemployed boiler-maker was sent to prison for stealing from a cabin on board the steamboat *Sun Cheung*, a black jacket, the property of the cook, yesterday.

One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak. LeMunyon, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

MR. Percival Knight of the Dallas Company, now in India, is to be married to Miss Carrie Roberts, a charming little "danseuse" who has been out in the East just a twelve-month.

HEAVY rains threaten to ruin the crops of Ireland. Agriculture in many districts is now almost ruined. If the rains continue the potato crop will be a failure. There is a good deal of distress already.

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

FOR unlawfully assaulting a police constable while in the execution of his duty in Queen's Road East on the 14th inst., and refusing to pay his ricksha hire, a stoker of the *Tamar* was sentenced to pay \$5 or seven days' hard labour.

DURING the recent rough weather in the Colony two junks were running into Chinwan Bay for shelter when they collided in Capsulman Pass and one was sunk. The sunken junk as she lies in the channel has her stern showing above water.

A NATIVE was this morning sentenced to six months' hard labour for stealing, from the steam launch *Atlanta*, a piece of India rubber packing, two spanners, a hammer, and a pair of pincers to the total value of \$10, the property of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire.

WE stated in these columns a few weeks ago that Dr. Atkinson had been robbed of about \$1,000 worth of jewelry and that a house boy had cleared away to Canton. We now learn that the culprit was caught at Canton on the 6th inst. and nearly all the valuables were recovered.

THE *Siam Observer* appears to have just cause for complaint. In its issue of 4th inst. it says:—Another belated parcel of Hongkong papers reached us to-day, with dates up to the 10th ult.—nearly a month old. More recent issues, with dates up to the 22nd, had previously arrived.

A NATIVE was charged at the Magistracy this morning with unlawfully receiving 50 fathoms of one-inch short link chain and shackles and two pairs of iron clips, value about \$20, the property of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther & Co., well knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained. His Worship remanded the case until Friday.

It is reported that the China Navigation Co., Ltd., intend having a light draught twin-screw steamer for the Lower Yangtze trade built at Hongkong Docks. She will be 310 feet long, with a 46 ft. beam; her draught will be 14.3 ft., and her tonnage about 2,000. Thus she will be the largest steamer by far that has yet been built in Hongkong.

MESSRS. Curtis Bros. seem to have been rather unfortunate of late, says the *Chefoo Express*. Besides being flooded out during the late heavy rains their old premises were broken into by some energetic thief who decamped with the office clock and other valuables. This occurred on the night previous to their shifting to their new offices. So far, no trace has been obtained of the perpetrator.

THE Philippines Civil Commission has passed an act providing for the payment of Customs duties on all goods imported by the Government. This is regarded a triumph of the interests of the business men of the Islands, and particularly of Manila. The effect of the act will be to enable the local merchants to compete with those in other countries in selling goods, supplies and other merchandise.

"We were at the theatre, and the rains prevented us from returning home to sleep," was the explanation tendered by five native youths at the Magistracy this morning when placed in the dock and charged with being rogues and vagabonds, without visible means of subsistence and lodging in a deserted and unoccupied building. Mr. Sercombe Smith sentenced two of them to two months' hard labour, while the others were sent back to Canton and Sam Chun.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMunyon, P. O. B. 368.—*Adv.*

MR. J. M. Beck, superintendent of the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd., informs us that communication with Foochow, Shanghai, and the North via the Eastern Extension company's cable was restored last evening, while Mr. Olaf Nielsen, superintendent of the Great Northern Telegraph Company, Ltd., states the time of transmission for telegrams forwarded over this Company's Hongkong (Amoy) Shanghai cable is again normal.

TO-DAY is the last day of the Parsee Year 1272 and to-morrow the New Year 1273 of the Yezdeid era begins. The era is so named from the last King of the Sassanids who ruled over Ancient Persia in the sixth century of the Christian era. The year is made up of twelve months of 30 days each and 54 days added at the end of the twelfth month to complete the 364 days. In ancient Persia they used to add an intercalary month every 120 years, but after their settlement in India, the practice has been given up and it gave rise to a bitter controversy amongst the community, and which is spoken of as the Catechism controversy some 80 or 90 years ago. The last 5 days, called the Garhas, are the holiest of holy among the Parsees and are spent in prayer and fasting.

RIVER pirates and the prowling boat population have stripped the wrecked Norwegian steamer *Spot* during the past few days and everything at all portable is said by the *China Gazette* to have been removed.

THE *Malay Mail* hears that a commission has been appointed to inquire into the wharf accommodation of Port Swettenham. There is therefore every reason to hope that the present state of affairs will soon be remedied.

A WIRE from New York of 10th inst. says:—It is said that J. Pierpont Morgan will, within a year, retire from active participation in big stock deals. It is understood that Morgan's son, who is the manager of the London house, will take hold in New York.

MR. Carlson, the acting Harbour Master Shanghai, has received the following telegraphic message, through the Senior Naval Officer at Weihaiwei:—"El Dorado" reports passing wreckage dangerous to navigation in latitude 36.29 North, longitude 122.46 East, on 6th September. This position would place the danger just off the S. E. of Promontory.

THE German steamer *Stettin* arrived from New Guinea at Singapore 5th inst. flying the police flag. Insp. Biangan went on board and was handed over a Malay seaman of the German ship *Tunglin* who is alleged to have stabbed the Chief Officer of that vessel at Macassar, inflicting three wounds. The injuries were apparently not very serious as they did not prevent him from carrying out his duties.

Framing, fancy and artistically done by LeMunyon, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

A TIENTSIN dispatch states that Governor Chao Erh-sen of Hunan has ordered from the Chinese Government Printing and Lithograph Works at Tientsin two hundred thousand one-tael and five-tael notes for circulation in Hunan province. These notes are to bear the official seal of the Provincial Treasurer of Hunan and are redeemable in cash at any time at the Treasurer's yamen in Changsha, the provincial capital. It is stated that 100,000 of these notes have already been printed and forwarded to Changsha.

ON the 9th inst., the Philippines Civil Commission took up the matter of the purchase of the Oriente Hotel for the purposes of the post-office. It was thought several days since that the question was thoroughly discussed and that it but remained for the Commission to take the vote on the proposition. The matter of a vote was passed over until the return of Dr. Tavera who was in the Provinces on official business. Dr. Tavera returned on the 9th, but when the Oriente matter was again taken up by the Commission it was found that there were some phases of the deal which it was deemed advisable to investigate further. To this end the taking of the final vote on the question was postponed indefinitely. It is probable, however, that the matter will be terminated within the next few days.

THE cholera on ships in northern ports does not appear to be decreasing. Mr. Merry, late 3rd engineer of the C. M. Co.'s str. *Hsieh Ho*, was seized with it a few days ago in Amoy, and succumbed to the disease. Mr. F. Neilson, second officer of the same vessel, has been attacked and was taken ashore in a very serious condition. Mr. D. Wishart, second engineer of the C. M. Co.'s str. *Anping*, had choleraic symptoms this morning and was taken to the Shanghai General Hospital. Mr. W. Auld, late chief officer of the C. M. Co.'s str. *Kwang-shah*, has succumbed to the disease, and Mr. E. P. Pym, acting Commissioner of Customs, who left Shanghai to return to his post in Hankow by the C. M. Co.'s str. *Kiangyue*, was taken ill with cholera at Kiukiang, and he breathed his last just before the ship arrived at Hankow.

THE *British Trade Review* for August says:—On 26th July the Prince of Wales Pier, Dover, constructed at a cost of £500,000, was utilized for the first time by the Hamburg-American Line. The steamer *Prinz Sigismund*, outward bound from Hamburg, occupied only a few minutes in taking up her position alongside the pier, and landed her passengers most expeditiously. Several directors of the line were present, and expressed themselves pleased with the complete success of the experiment. Sir William Crundall, representing Lord Salisbury (President of the Harbour Board), welcomed the directors of the Hamburg-American line. In an interview, Herr Ballin informed a Dover correspondent that they were so satisfied with the tests that they had decided to make Dover a port of call for the English Channel, commencing with the beginning of next year. The steamers would include the largest of their vessels, such as the *Deutschland*. Dover would have a regular service of eight ocean boats a week outward and homeward bound, including the Hamburg-American Line, South American Line, the Mexican Line, and the steamers going to the Far East. The *Prinz Sigismund* left Dover for Boulogne en route for America. The liners which it is decided shall make Dover a port of call will make either Cherbourg or Boulogne their French Channel port.

THE MASSED BAND PERFORMANCE.

A LARGE GATHERING.

As we are going to press the combined bands, pipes, bugles, fife and drums of the Garrison are delighting a large gathering of Hongkong citizens. Among those present on the new Parade Ground we noticed H.R. Major-General and Lady Gascogne, Commodore C.G. and Mrs. Robinson, and Bishop Hoare.

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THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING & DYEING CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited, was held at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company at 11.30 this morning.

There were present Hon. C. W. Dickinson (chairman), Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., and Mr. A. G. Wood, (consulting committee), Messrs. R. C. Wilcox, J. R. Michael, K. McK. Ross, W. G. Gresson, C. H. Ross, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung Shiu, Ho Kom Tong, A. Shaw (manager), A. Brooke Smith (secretary), and others.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and statement of accounts now before you, having been in your hands for some days, I propose, with your assent, to take as read. The result shown is not so satisfactory as was at one time anticipated, owing mainly to a severe visitation of plague, which during April, May, and June claimed as victims a number of our most experienced operatives. The loss of those hands, who had been at the mill since its commencement, interfered greatly with the production and is still to some extent handicapping the output. Low exchange during the greater part of the year and the high price of cotton have also worked to our detriment. Our yarns, however, continue to be in good demand and given normal conditions I hope we may be able to show a better result during the current year. The erection of the 5,000 spindles referred to at our last meeting was completed early this year, but, owing to the plague, we have not yet benefited to the fullest extent from this addition. Since the beginning of May a number of our operatives have been accommodated in the quarters specially built for them and I am glad to say that so far the health of the occupants has realized expectations. Every precaution is, of course, being taken to keep the building in a sanitary condition. In view of the expenditure on account of these quarters and on additional plant, the proposal to write \$35,000 off property account will doubtless commend itself to you. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions relating to them you may desire to put.

There being no questions the Chairman proposed, and Mr. R. C. Wilcox seconded, that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed. Carried.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

On the proposition of Mr. Ho Fook, seconded by Mr. K. McK. Ross, the appointment of Mr. A. G. Wood was confirmed and the re-election of Sir Paul Chater was agreed to.

AUDITOR.

Mr. Gresson proposed, and Mr. C. H. Ross seconded, that Mr. W. Hutton Potts be re-elected auditor.

Carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready on application to-morrow morning. Thank you for your attendance.

ROBBERY AT "GLENWOOD."

JEWELRY STOLEN.

It was reported at the Central Police Station on the 6th inst., that jewelry to the total value of \$61, had been stolen from Mrs. Gillander's boarding house on the Caine Road, and as the result of further investigations it was ascertained that the proprietress had lost four gold rings, eight sovereigns, Japanese gold coin, French gold coin, American gold coin, gold pencil, and three American \$100 bills. Detectives found the rings and gold pencil at various silver-smiths and pawnshops. The police then made inquiries into the character of the room boy, and on Saturday afternoon a Chinese detective entered "Glenwood" and asked for him, but was told that he had gone to buy ice. He was then searched, and in his pocket the detective found the gold pencil case, pawn-tickets, and a duplicate key for the drawer in which the jewelry was kept. He was arrested and charged before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith this morning. Mrs. Gillander said the accused had access to her bedroom, and that the articles were locked up in a drawer, which was fastened with a patent lock. The accused admitted the charge and stated that he sold two rings to an opium divan keeper, in Coolidge Street, for \$14.50, while another was given to a friend, and the fourth was lost. His Worship committed the defendant for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Five other natives, including a woman, were charged with receiving stolen property well knowing same to have been stolen. The woman was also committed for trial. At the time our representative left the Court the case was not concluded.

CANTON NOTES.

(From a Correspondent.)

Canton, 13th September.

THE BOYCOTT.

The Europeans and Chinese are still firmly holding out regarding the dispute concerning the access to certain roads on the Shamien. Native merchants continue to visit houses on the French concession.

RAINS DAMAGE SILK.

The recent rains have caused a loss of about \$1,000,000 to the silk growers of the Shantung district. It is the fifth crop of the year. Similar reports come from other districts.

SOLDIERS BEHEADED.

The general command of Canton city has beheaded two soldiers for taking part in piratical attacks. When searched on the information of one of a gang, pawn-tickets and plunder were found in their possession.

THE RECENT TYPHOON.

As reported in our issue on Friday last, the typhoon that has been hovering along the coast last week, gave no little trouble to ships proceeding to Hongkong. Capt. Routledge, of the s.s. *Amara*, arrived here on Saturday from the South with a cargo of patent fuel, from Cardiff for the Government. He reports having experienced moderate to light variable wind from Singapore Straits to lat. 8° 52' N., long 109° 28' E. Then westerly to south-westerly fresh winds prevailed. Strong current found to set S. E. 21 knots per hour between lat. 8° 52' N. long. 109° 28' E. and lat. 15° 40' N. long. 113° 9' E. On the 9th instant, sky became dull and overcast. On Friday, the 11th September, the *Amara*, entered the left-hand semi-circle of typhoon at 4 a.m. lat. 16° 0' N. long. 113° 40' E., wind backing to south and east as vessel proceeded northward. The lowest barometer reading when wind was easterly was 29° 60', temperature 85° F. Then followed a succession of violent squalls accompanied by heavy rain and high confused sea. The weather was dull and the sky overcast. On Saturday the wind dropped, weather being dull and equally from the N.E. with heavy rain.

The following is the report of the captain of the French steamer *Hongkong*. She arrived from Haiphong via Pakhoi and Hoilow, sailing from the latter port on the 11th inst. and reaching port yesterday. At 7.45 p.m. on the 11th inst., fresh breeze and fine weather. At 8 p.m. got a typhoon outside of Hainan Strait from N.E., hauled round eastward to south during the night. Kept the ship's head to the wind all night. At 11 a.m. on the 12th inst., made course for Hongkong. Barometer rising and wind going down. Fresh south-easterly wind and sea. Rainy weather from thence to port.

The s.s. *Glenalloch* from Penang via Singapore on the 6th inst. reports:—Singapore to Cape Varella; moderate strong winds and fine weather. Tongking Gulf N.N.W. winds with slightly falling barometer. 12th instant, typhoon passed over Hoilow harbour; lowest barometer reading 29° 03. From Hoilow to port moderate S.E. to East winds with lumpy sea.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

A WARNING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." Sir—I learn from good authority that the Chinese Government has sent a notorious captain down to Hongkong together with a number of spies and assassins. Do the detectives know this?

It is reported that many an official hiring is still in the pay of the Canton authorities. Will the Government inquire into this?

It is also reported from a reliable source that the officials at Canton have applied for the reduction of three reformers.

In view of the cruel and barbarous murder of Chen Ki Wei at Peking, it would be well for the Government to pause and look askance at the "approaches" and wiles of "Manchu" officials. They would think nothing of tramping up a charge and obtaining false witnesses to get hold of their prey.

Again, the public is anxiously awaiting the successful prosecution of the recent daring assassination and kidnapping cases—Yours truly,

BEWARE!

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.
[We publish the above letter with all reserve. Our correspondent is evidently in a position to be better informed of the subject with which he deals than we are. To be forewarned is to be forearmed. Knowing from past experience, the lengths to which the audacity of Chinese mandarins would go in order to effect their vile purpose, we trust attention will be given by the proper authorities to the timely warning of our correspondent lest one more act in the perpetration of outrages in and violation of British territory be enacted within the Colony.—Ed. H.K. 71.]

THE BAND OF H.M.S. "LEVIATHAN."

It is interesting to note that the armoured cruiser *Leviathan* which arrived on this station from Hong about three weeks ago is their first ship to have one of the new bands on board. A Naval School of Music has recently been opened at Portsmouth; and a naval band, clad in the new uniform has been on duty for the first time. The uniform consists of a big cap of the German pattern, a dark blue tunic with red piping and a lyre on the collar, and blue trousers with thin infantry piping between the seams. Under the new system the bandmen are considered Marines, and as already stated the first ship to have one of the bands on board is the cruiser *Leviathan*, now on this station. The change in uniform from the blue cloth and white piping of the present ships' bands is a very popular one, and has met with the approval both of His Majesty the King and the Prince of Wales before whom one of the bands recently played at Osborne.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE:
German (*Bayer*) to-morrow.
German (*Seydlitz*) 16th inst.
Canadian (*Capitol*) 17th inst.
American (*Capitol*) 17th inst.
French (*Amoy*) 17th inst.
American (*Amoy*) 17th inst.
Australian (*Australia*) 18th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 18th inst.
American (*Korea*) 18th inst.

The P. & O. S.N. Co.'s *Java* left Singapore for this port on 11th inst. at 7 a.m.
The C. P. & S.N. Co.'s *Amoy* sailed from Hong yesterday, and is due here at 11 a.m. on the 14th inst.
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TELEGRAMS.

Turkey and the Macedonian Revolt.
LONDON, 11th September.
Turkish functionaries in Macedonia openly scoff at the idea of European intervention, declaring that if Europe intervenes with an armed force, they would immediately burn, destroy, and massacre wholesale, leaving only a bare field for the invaders.
Macedonian organisations have issued a note holding the Powers responsible for inevitable reprisals by the rebels for Turkish excesses.

The Balkans.
M. Petroff, the Bulgarian Premier, has informally intimated to the Powers that, unless the Turkish excesses in Macedonia are restrained, Bulgaria must depart from her attitude of strict neutrality.
A Consular report from Salonika states that 300 insurgents at Kastoria after surrendering were massacred.

Great Britain and the United States.
Great Britain has made representations to Washington against the Borneo Islands; the United States claim that the Islands formerly belonged to Spain.

Storm in England.
September 12th.
A great storm has occurred in England, the Channel, and Ireland; telegraphs have been destroyed and the damage done is known to be enormous. The Dover Harbour Works are destroyed, and great havoc has been made on the coast and in the country.

The Near East.
A French Mediterranean squadron under Admiral Jauriguet has been ordered to be in readiness to proceed to the Levant to protect French subjects in Macedonia.

The Fighting in Algeria.
The Arabs at Elmurag on the 8th instant captured fifty camel-loads of arms and ammunition and four hundred and fifty of provisions.

The Macedonian Revolt.
Nazim Pasha, the new Turkish Commander-in-Chief in Macedonia, who was educated in Germany, is conducting drives on the South African pattern with great success, lines of Bashi-Bazouks replacing block-houses and barbed-wire fences.

Negotiations in Corea.
Tokio, 7th September.
The Korean Government is seeking to make the closing of Phyong-yang a condition of opening Wiju, but Japan strongly objects, inasmuch as there are two hundred Japanese settled in Phyong-yang.
Rumour attributes this proposal of Corea to Russian suggestion, but Corea has long evinced a desire to exclude all foreigners from Phyong-yang, in order that she may build a palace there.

The Alleged Poaching in Russian Waters.
Tokio, 7th September.
Russian cruisers recently seized eleven Japanese schooners, with crews amounting to 278 men, in Kamohakawa waters on a charge of poaching. They released 250 of the men at once, but detained 28 in Vladivostok for trial, which, owing to the direct influence of Admiral Alexieff, speedily ended in the acquittal of all of them.

The Campaign in Somaliland.
London, 7th September.
News from Somaliland is scanty, but steady progress is being made with the mobilisation of four camel corps, each 588 strong. With these corps it will be possible to carry several days' supply of water for a large force.

The Cholera Epidemic.
Tientsin, 8th September.
Mr. Frederick Newson died here of cholera to-day. All vessels are being inspected on arrival.

The Plague at Newchwang.
Tientsin, 8th September.
It is reported that plague has broken out at Newchwang and that there were 18 deaths on Sunday.

Our Next Royal Guest.
London, 8th September.
It is understood that H. I. M. the Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria will return King Edward's visit in London in the second half of November.

Plague at Marseilles.
Marseilles, 11th September.
The bubonic plague is raging here. A half dozen people have perished already and a score more are down with the pest. A cargo from Morocco is said to have brought the infection.

THE POLLARD COMEDY CO.
Mr. Alec Middleton of Pollard's English Comedy Company writes us from Shanghai confirming the news already recorded in our columns that the company leave for Hongkong on Friday next. They open at the Theatre Royal on the 21st instant with *A Gay Maid in Paris*.

THE VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

AQUATIC SPORTS.
To-morrow is the first day of the annual aquatic sports in connection with the Victoria Recreation Club, and, given fine weather, spectators should witness some very enjoyable racing. Everything possible has been done to ensure their comfort, and though a rain shower or two should pass over there is ample shelter in the club premises and in a matched specially provided for the ladies. The hon. secretary, Mr. Frank W. White and the committee comprising Messrs. W. Armstrong, A. Rodger, W. G. Humphreys, Geo. A. Caldwell, W. S. Bailey, T. Meek, W. A. Crave, E. M. Hazeland and E. W. Mitchell, deserve every credit for the efforts taken to make the function a success.

H. E. Sir H. A. Blake, G.C.M.G., is president of the club, Mr. Arthur Chapman, chairman, and Mr. R. H. B. Mitchell, hon. treasurer, while the officers for the three days' sports are Messrs. W. Armstrong, E. M. Hazeland and W. S. Bailey, umpires; Mr. E. W. Mitchell, referee; Messrs. A. Rodger and G. A. Caldwell, starters; Messrs. T. Meek, J. H. R. Hance, and F. W. White, handicappers; and Messrs E. J. Jordan and M. A. A. Souza, official timekeepers.

From the subjoined list of events it will be seen that on the opening day there are seven races down for decision, the first being timed to commence at 4.30 p.m. The two lengths (handicap) and the team race are each divided into four heats and, judging by the names of entrants, some close finishes may be expected. For the half-mile championship of the colony, in which thirteen names have been handed in as starters, J. Mitchell, N. H. Alves and C. Cooke may be expected to figure pretty closely at the finish, while M. A. Razack should pull off the swim under water. The two lengths (handicap) ought to be secured either by C. Humphreys or E. R. Millar, and Mr. W. S. Bailey should give a good account of himself in the veterans' race. For the team race, R. Lapsley has a very strong combination in C. M. S. Alves, F. D. Bain, C. F. Ozorio, L. E. Lammert and A. J. Mackie, and appears to be a likely winner.

The detailed programme of to-morrow's events is as follows:—
4.30 p.m.—HALF MILE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY. Open to all Co. ers. 1st prize, presented by W. B. Dix, Esq., 2nd prize presented.

4.45 p.m.—BOYS' RACE. (10 to 14 years of age). Two lengths (handicap). Two prizes. Post entries. Sons or brothers of members only admitted.
5.00 p.m.—SWIM UNDER WATER. 1st prize presented by W. S. Bailey, Esq., 2nd prize presented.

(The distance is calculated to the point where the water is first broken by any part of the body.)
N. H. Alves C. Humphreys
A. V. Barros R. C. Wittell
W. Schumacher R. Lapsley
J. M. de Rosa Pereira M. A. Razack
C. Cooke J. Wittell
H. S. Holmes

5.30 p.m.—FOUR LENGTHS (Army, Navy, and Police); (post entries), for non-members. Two prizes pre-ented.
5.45 p.m.—TWO LENGTHS (handicap) 1st prize presented. 1st in each heat to swim in the final.

1st Heat.
A. J. Mackie Owes 2 sec.
F. W. White " 2 "
W. Schumacher " 2 "
A. J. V. Ribeiro " 10 "
E. R. Millar " 12 "
N. H. Alves " 14 "

2nd Heat.
H. C. Austin Owes 2 sec.
O. R. Chunyet " 7 "
H. S. Holmes " 8 "
A. Loureiro " 8 "
R. C. Wittell " 10 "
A. V. Barros " 13 "

3rd Heat.
G. J. Clark 80
R. Henderson Owes 7 sec.
M. A. Razack " 7 "
J. A. S. Alves " 7 "
A. Mari " 9 "
C. F. Ozorio " 10 "
A. F. Alves " 14 "

4th Heat.
H. M. Bain 80
G. H. Rubie Owes 4 sec.
H. C. Sayer " 7 "
P. M. Remedios " 7 "
C. Humphreys " 8 "
R. Lapsley " 13 "

6.00 p.m.—VETERANS' RACE, TWO LENGTHS (Handicap). Open to competitors over 35 years of age. Post entries. 1st prize presented by W. A. Clarke, Esq., 2nd prize presented.

6.15 p.m.—TEAM RACE.
No. 1. No. 2.
R. Lapsley N. H. Alves
C. M. S. Alves J. A. S. Alves
F. D. Bain J. M. de Rosa Pereira
C. F. Ozorio O. R. Chunyet
L. E. Lammert G. H. Rubie
A. J. Mackie H. M. Bain
R. Wittell A. V. Barros
E. R. Millar A. Mari
A. J. V. Ribeiro H. C. Sayer
P. M. Remedios F. K. Tala
M. A. Razack H. S. Holmes
H. C. Austin S. R. Moore

Reserve—R. Henderson.
A special championship prize will be awarded to the winner of most points in non-handicap events. Presented by Arthur Chapman, Esq. (chairman of the club). 1st place mark, 10 points; 2nd place mark, 8 points; 3rd place mark, 6 points.

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REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.
In the Supreme Court this morning before the Puisne Judge, His Honour A. G. Wise, Mr. M. W. Slade instructed by Mr. J. S. Harrison, of Messrs. Ewens and Harrison, solicitors for the China Light and Power Company, Limited, formally brought forward the petition, which was presented to the Supreme Court on the 31st August, for confirming a special resolution reducing the capital of the Company from \$300,000 to \$150,000. There was no opposition and the order was made subject to the insertion in the local papers of the usual advertisement. It will be remembered that the capital of the Company is to be reduced from \$300,000 (divided into 15,000 shares of \$20 each) to \$150,000 (divided into 7,500 shares of \$20 each) and will be effected by reducing the nominal amount of all the shares in the Company's capital from \$20 to \$10 per share.

CROWN LAND SALE.
A rectangular piece of Crown Land, measuring eighty feet by one hundred and sixty feet, was put up for sale by public auction at the offices of the Public Works Department this afternoon. Executive Engineer Rees, Land Surveyor, acted as the auctioneer. The lot is situated above Mount Kellett Road, the Peak, and is registered as R.B.L. No. 117. The annual Crown rent attached to the lot is \$74. Messrs. Palm and Turner, acting on behalf of a client, bought the property at \$20 above the upset price of \$1,536 reserved by Government. We believe it is the intention of the owner to erect a residential building on this very desirable site.

FREEMASONRY IN HONGKONG.
A NEW CHAPTER.
We understand that Bro. G. A. Watkins, who established the Phoenix Chapter of Sovereign Princes, Rose Croix of H.R.D.M., No. 73, in Hongkong some five years ago, has received a special commission from the supreme council of the Southern Grand Inspectors General of the 33rd degree of the A. and A. S.R. of Freemasonry in Scotland to establish a consistory to work the 30th degree at Hongkong.

THE BEACHING OF THE "SUMNER."
The accident to U. S. transport *Sumner*, which was recently in Dock at Hongkong after having been beached off Mauban in consequence of running on to rocks, has been made the subject of a board of inquiry which met on 9th inst. at Division Headquarters, Manila. The board consists of Colonel Chamberlain, Chief Commissary of the Division, Colonel Carbaugh, Judge Advocate of the Division, and Major Robinson, Acting Division Quartermaster. It was decided that the board should visit the *Sumner* to-day.

ANOTHER ACCIDENT.
According to the Manila *Cablenews* of 10th inst. on her return from Hongkong after repairs had been completed, her machinery broke down and when docking at Mariveles, she crashed into the pier, which little adventure, while causing but slight damage to herself, will cost quite a sum to repair the damage done to the dock. The repairs to her machinery, which it was thought would cause a delay in sailing of four or five days, will not interfere with her sailing on schedule time. It was thought she will be ready for sea last Sunday.

PROPOSED CHINESE STATE BANK.
Prince Tsai Chen and other metropolitan officials intend to establish a Government bank, says the *Li Pao* of Tientsin, by setting funds from high officials, both Manchu and Chinese, in the metropolis and provinces each contributing several hundreds of thousands, and those contributing a certain proportion of such capital of the bank will be appointed to the board of the bank or to the proposed board of Commercial Affairs. However, says our contemporary, the scheme will form the subject of a memorial to the Throne when everything has been settled amongst themselves, and they are ready to start the work. In this connection there is a rumour that Chang Cheng-hsun has already been appointed managing director of the Government Bank under the Board of Revenue. It is further stated that such appointment was made because at present the Board of Revenue has no funds to establish a Government Bank and if Chang Cheng-hsun is appointed as managing director and ordered to compile regulations of the bank he will be able to raise the necessary funds.

HONGKONG-BANGKOK TRADE.
Thus the *Bangkok Times* of 3rd inst.—The arrival of several boats from Hongkong and Swatow is a reminder that the great rate war between the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Orient Line and the new Rickmers line still continues. We learn that in some of these boats coolies are still being brought down from China, not only free of all charge, but receiving their rice free on the voyage. Freight is equally at ruinous rates. Rice can be sent to Hongkong at less cost than to Singapore. Six cents a picul for the lighter to Kolsichang, and 10 cents for the steamer from there to Hongkong is one quotation, while it is said that imports in some cases are carried for nothing. The amount of paddy arriving in Bangkok this summer has been quite as large as could be expected considering the character of the last crop. But the competition among the mills is so keen that paddy has been rising rather than falling along with the rice in silver. That is not a pleasant phenomenon in a country that in every sense of the term lives on rice. Next year Siam may hope for a much better crop, but there will be something like eight more mills to compete for it.

VICEROY TSEN CH'UN HSUEN.

We have already referred to the rumour being circulated in Shanghai to the effect that a powerful coalition of Conservatives of the most bigoted type in Peking is being formed with the object of causing the downfall of H.E. Tsen Ch'un-hsien, Viceroy of the Two Kwang provinces. We learn from the *N. C. D. News* that there is an attempt to identify H.E. with the Reform Party in order to secure his ruin more easily with the Empress Dowager, well knowing her enmity against, and almost morbid fear of all Reformers. The conspiracy is said to be all the more serious owing to the fact of many of the Hunanese Party in the Empire holding a grudge against H.E. for his part in securing the disgrace of their fellow-provincial, the notorious Ex-Governor Wang Chih-chun of Kwangsi. The more enlightened of the Hunanese element fortunately do not, however, hold such bigoted views, and give willing credit to the ability and strong mind of H.E., who is generally conceded by a large portion of Chinese officialdom as the only man available to deal with the crisis in the South, and one who is also respected by foreigners who know anything about His Excellency as a man, and the difficult task before him of bringing order out of chaos and securing the will of the wisest malcontents who swarm in one part of Kwangsi at one moment and then are gone no one knows whether whenever a decently armed and respectable force of Government troops appears in their neighbourhood. On the other hand, of course, these malcontents are anything but ethereal or unsubstantial whenever they see that the "braves" patrolling the country side are anything like the name they bear and who deserve the attention of these rebel hands only when they come provided with good fire arms and a quantity of modern ammunition which would be particularly acceptable to their warlike stores. Then these will 'to the wisps combine, surround the braves in some kind of ambush and, after decimating the lot, capture their arms and ammunition while allowing the remainder to go their ways to give whatever terrifying news of the rebels they care to tell their superior officers, who are generally comfortably and safely ensconced within the walls of some strong and populous city. The enemies of H.E. Tsen Ch'un-hsien, knowing only the superficial aspect of matters in Kwangsi, one and all think that they can do all *à la Viceroy* has done—and more too. But as far as we can see, jealousy and suspicion of H.E.'s future rôle in respect to them are at the bottom of the reported conspiracy against him, as they feel that by the way he has dealt with men like these enemies of his, under him, once his power should extend they would have small chance of comfort in their official life. Further, we are sorry to learn by a recent dispatch from Hsünchou, H.E.'s headquarters, that H.E. has through overwork and worry—he insists on personally dealing with all matters within his jurisdiction and nothing is too insignificant for his attention—fallen ill and has been confined to his room for several days. This news will doubtless cause gladness to many a dishonest mandarin in the Two Kwang provinces. Finally, a telegram received yesterday from Peking states that the ball has already commenced to roll, and that some one has denounced H.E. in a secret memorial to the Throne. Fortunately the Emperor refused to allow the thing to go beyond the Grand Council and the document was therefore laid on the table.

THE CUSTOMS GAZETTE.
APRIL-JUNE, 1903.
From the Customs Gazette, April-June, 1903, it appears that the total revenue collected shows a falling-off as compared with the second quarter of last year, the totals being, in Haikuan taels:—

	1903.	1902.
Chinese Ports	7,770,083	7,992,394
Kowloon and Lappa	169,913	218,036
Inland Stations in the south-west	44,706	55,723
Total	7,984,702	8,266,153

The total collection in Shanghai during the quarter was Hk. Tls. 2,727,077 against Hk. Tls. 3,026,964 last year, and this decline would have been considerably larger but for the increase in opium duty and Hk. Tls.

REPORTED SEIZURE OF AMERICAN SHIP.
According to the *P. & T. Times* the *Stanley Dollar*, an American owned ship flying the British flag and belonging to the Dollar Steamship Company of San Francisco, left Tientsin about a week ago and took up a charter for the transport of lumber from the Yalu River. She is understood to have been seized by a man-of-war said to be Japanese for an offence consisting in being in the lumber trade without having permission of the Korean Government. We have made inquiries locally regarding the report and understand that the steamer was due to leave Japan for Singapore on the 11th inst. She has been chartered by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, and they have heard nothing regarding the above report.

COMMERCIAL.
TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 110 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand 110 3/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 110 1/2
D'cents 4 months' sight 110 1/2
ON BERLIN (demand) 110 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 110 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 110 1/2
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 110 1/2
Credits, 30 days' sight 110 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 110 1/2
On demand 110 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 110 1/2
Private 30 days' sight 110 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 110 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate 110 1/2
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael 110 1/2
Bar Silver 110 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
MALWA NEW @ 900/920
LAST YEAR @ 940/980
PATNA NEW @ 1,000/1,080
OLD @ 1,110
BENARES NEW @ No Sales
OLD @ 1,105
PERSIAN (PAPER) @ 750/830

To-day's Advertisements.
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.
PROMENADE CONCERT.
AT HEAD QUARTERS PARADE GROUND, ON SATURDAY, 10th September, 1903, at 9 P.M.
ADMISSION: \$2, Naval, Military and Volunteers in Uniform, 50 cents.
TICKETS can be obtained from HEAD QUARTERS and OFFICERS OF CORPS.
C. G. PRITCHARD, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.C.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1114c]

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Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1116c]

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PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.
FOR SAIGON.
THE Company's Steamship
"GIRONDE"
Captain Abel, will be dispatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 15th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1004c]

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "RICHMOND CASTLE," FROM NEW YORK.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods have arrived by s.s. "RUM" from Manila and are being landed at Consignees risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1118c]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
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"BALLAARAT,"
Captain F. R. Summers, R.N.R., carrying H.M. Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.
Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 5 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE N.D.L. Steamship
"FREIBURG,"
Captain Prösch, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.
This Steamer brings also the Hongkong Cargo from Bremen, Rotterdam and Antwerp (transhipped at Singapore ex S.S. "BRISGAVIA" Captain Schölke).
Optional Cargo will be forwarded under notice to the contrary be given before Noon, T.C. DAY.
Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1117c]

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 21st day of September, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Tung-Lo-Wan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.
PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Unit Price
		ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
1	Tung-Lo-Wan	20	20	20	20	1.00	0	0

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1115c]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Company's Steamship
"ANNAM"
Captain Girard, will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about MONDAY, the 21st instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1004c]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Company's Steamship
"NAMSANG"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns at East Point.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1112c]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "LENNOX," FROM LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [1113c]

WANTED, AT ONCE.
LESSONS IN SHORTHAND.
(Advanced instruction).
Apply, stating terms, &c., to—
"STENOGRAPHER,"
C/o This Paper.
Hongkong, 31st August, 1903.

THE POPULAR SCOTCH IS "BLACK & WHITE"

JAMES BUCHANAN & CO.
SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS
By Appointment to
H.M. THE KING
and
H.R.H. the PRINCE of WALES

Supplied at all the LEADING CLUBS and HOTELS and to be obtained from LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Queen's Road Central.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT. MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 15th September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAK LING"	On 23rd September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 1st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	On 7th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 31st October.

S.S. "JASON" left Singapore on 10th inst. p.m. and is due here 15th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"KINTUCK"	On 15th September.
*GENOA and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 19th September.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"GLAUCUS"	On 29th September.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
*LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 23rd October.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS.	"CALCHAS"	On 2nd October.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.

S.S. "MACHAON" left Victoria 2nd inst. for Japan and Hongkong.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	16th September.
MANILA	"KAIPOK"	16th "
SHANGHAI	"WUOSUNG"	16th "
SHANGHAI	"FOOCHOW"	17th "
SHANGHAI	"TIENTSIN"	18th "
CEBU and ILOILO	"WUOSUNG"	23rd "
CHIEFOO and TIENTSIN	"WUOSUNG"	23rd "
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	30th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	5th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unvalued table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried.—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 19th Sept., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	CEBU and ILOILO	SATURDAY, 19th Sept., at 4 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 26th Sept., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

FOR

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY, OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

STEAMSHIP

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Oct. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Nov. 14, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	"

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	K. Akashi	WEDNESDAY, 16th Sept.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	THURSDAY, 17th Sept.
FOR FOOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	SUNDAY, 20th Sept.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Sept.

* VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA,

REDUCED SALOON PAS-SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric Light, First Class Accommodation. Unvalued Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1903.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONGKONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the following days leaving CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hongkong Harbour Master's Office.

SHUI ON S.S. CO., LTD., No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE.—(Week Days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5.

2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays, \$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with accommodations for two or more passengers.

WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach Macao.

WING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903.

FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND TSINGTAU.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"FREIBURG,"

Captain Prosch, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

MANILA LINE.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unvalued Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	3,876	FRIDAY, 18th instant, at 11 A.M.
ROHILLA MARU	E. P. Bishop	3,869	WEDNESDAY, 23rd instant, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG,"

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched at above on FRIDAY, the 18th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE

THE Company's Steamship

"FRANZ FERDINAND,"

Captain Matcovich, will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 18th instant, P.M.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Prinze's Building.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUZ CANAL (With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.

About 23rd Sept.

"SATSUMA" 23rd Sept. |"SHIMOSA" 10th Oct. |"KURDISTAN" 24th Oct. |"RICHMOND CASTLE" 7th Nov. |

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),

Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"PERSIA,"

Captain Craghietto, will be despatched at above on SATURDAY, the 19th September, P.M.

This steamer has capital accommodation for passengers. Electric light and carries a doctor.

For Information as to Passage and Freight apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Prinze's Buildings.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1903.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"

Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd September, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in state-rooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1903.

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NORDKYN,"

Captain A. Beer, will be despatched at above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 30th September.

For Freight, &c., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1903.

Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "TACOMA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-

HAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"SIMLA," FROM ANTWERP, PORT SAID, SUZ, BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo, by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c., ex S.S. Roma.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. Syria.

From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 17th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903.

Intimations.

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a specialty.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1903.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 13th August, 1903. per \$ Men.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef—Prime—Kai Lung Pa. 17

"Comed—Ham Ngau Yau. 17

"Roast—Shiu. 17

"Breast—Ngau Lam. 17

"Soup, Tong Yau. 17

"Steak—Ngau Yau. 17

"Sausages—Ngau Yau. 17

"Bullock's Brains—Know. 17

"Tongue fresh—Ngau Li. 17

"Comed—Ham Ngau Li. 17

"Head—Ngau Tau. 17

"Heart—Ngau Sum. 17

"Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin. 17

"Feet—Ngau Kerk. 17

"Kidneys—Ngau Yau. 17

"Liver—Ngau Con. 17

"Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To. 17

"Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-ko. 17

"Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kw. 17

"Leg—Yeung Pai Kw. 17

"Shoulder—Yeung Shau. 17

"Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong. 17

"Brains—Chi Know. 17

"Feet—Chi Kerk. 17

"Fry—Chi Chak. 17

"Head—Chi Sum. 17

"Kidneys—Chi Yiu. 17

"Liver—Chi Kon. 17

"Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat. 17

"Corned—Ham Chu Yau. 17

"Leg—Chu Pel. 17

"Fat or Lard—Chu Yau. 17

"Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau. 17

"Keok. 17

"Heart—Yeung Sum. 17

"Kidneys—Yeung Yiu. 17

"Liver—Yeung Con. 17

"Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau. 17

"Mutton—Sang Ngau Yau. 17

"Veal—Ngau Chai Yau. 17

"Sausages—Ngau Chai Yau. 17

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai. 17

Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai. 17

Duck—Ap. 17

Doyes—Pai

Shipping.

Arrivals.			
Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,025, Pennefather, 12th Sept.	Manila 9th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.	Lennox, Br. s.s., 2,361, McNair, 12th Sept.	Liverpool 30th July, Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Amara, Br. s.s., 2,161, Koutledge, 12th Sept.	Cardiff 1st Aug., Patent Fuel—Government.	Takeong, Br. s.s., 977, Baker, 13th Sept.	Shanghai 8th Sept., and Swatow 12th, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Phanang, Ger. s.s., 1,105, Mangelndorf, 13th Sept.	Bangkok 6th Sept., Rice.—B. & S.	Maidure Maru, Br. s.s., 1,075, Koshi, 13th Sept.	Anping, Amoy and Swatow 9th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.
Waihora, Br. s.s., 1,167, Daniel, 13th Sept.	Singapore 7th Sept., Gen.—100 Tek Seng.	Thales, Br. s.s., 820, Short, 13th Sept.	Foochow via Amoy and Swatow 8th Sept., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Doris, Nor. s.s., 965, Jacobsen, 13th Sept.	Moji 6th Sept., Coal.—C. & Co.	Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 74, Suzoni, 13th Sept.	Haiphong via Pakhoi and Hoihow 12th Sept., Gen.—A. R. M.
Quinta, Ger. s.s., 1,146, Johansen, 13th Sept.	Hoihow 9th Sept., Gen.—S. W. & Co.	E-Sang, Br. s.s., 1,127, Koppe, 13th Sept.	Chetou 8th Sept., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,228, McKenzie, 13th Sept.	Shanghai 9th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.	Foochow, Br. s.s., 1,280, Small, 13th Sept.	Canton 12th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.
Elita Nossack, Ger. s.s., 1,161, Bruhn, 13th Sept.	Canton 12th Sept., Gen.—Bovet & Co.	Ghiyuen, Ch. s.s., 1,211, Stewart, 13th Sept.	Canton 12th Sept., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, Payne, 14th Sept.	Calcutta 29th Aug., Penang 5th Sept.	Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,092, Weigall, 14th Sept.	Manila 11th Sept., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Woocong, Br. s.s., 1,109, Dawson, 14th Sept.	Canton 14th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.	Luzon, Am. ship, 1,303, Park, 13th Sept.	Hoihow (P.I.) 31st Aug., Ballast—Order.
Victoria, Swed. s.s., 988, Hermansson, 14th Sept.	Souabaya 3rd Sept., Sugar and Gen.—S. W. & Co.	Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,611, Almond, 14th Sept.	Manila, P.I. 12th Sept., Gen.—S. T. & Co.
Glenfalloch, Br. s.s., 1,434, Bainbridge, 14th Sept.	Penang via Singapore 6th Sept.	Orono, Br. s.s., 1,519, Oswald, 14th Sept.	Amoy 31st July, and Singapore 8th Sept., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Freiburg, Ger. s.s., 3,884, Prosch, 14th Sept.	Bremen 30th Aug., and Singapore 8th Sept., Gen.—H. A. L.		

Clearances at the Harbour Office.
Pak Kong, for Macao.
Szechuen, for Swatow.
Taitse, for Shanghai.
Kwangshai, for Sandakan.
Ping On, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Chinkiang, for Shanghai.
Chanulau, for Wuchow.
E-Sang, for Canton.
Trilos, for Saigon.
Waihora, for Amoy.
Elita Nossack, for Hongay.
Maria Jensen, for Hongay.
Kashing, for Canton.
Wingchai, for Macao.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Holstein, for Hoihow.
Machew, for Hoihow.

Departures.
Sept. 13.
Taitse, for Hoihow.
Sept. 14.
Holstein, for Hoihow.
Kwongshai, for Sandakan.
Trilos, for Saigon.
Waihora, for Amoy.
Elita Nossack, for Hongay.
Maria Jensen, for Hongay.
Kashing, for Canton.
Wingchai, for Macao.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Holstein, for Hoihow.
Machew, for Hoihow.

Passengers arrived.
Per Waihora, from Singapore—140 Chinese.
Per Maidure Maru, from Coast Ports—70 Chinese.
Per Hongkong, from Haiphong, &c.—101 Chinese.
Per Namsang, from Calcutta, &c.—616 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.
Per Waihora, from Coast Ports—Mr. A. B. Sorensen, and 95 Chinese.
Per Takeong, from Shanghai, &c.—Mrs. Nelson, Pudsey, and 12 Chinese.
Per Loongsang, from Manila—Misses Maria Austria, Sinforosa San Lun, Messrs. O. F. Fisher, Max Lajopenore, T. B. McCown, A. W. Holmes, Thomas Shull, L. V. Bell, Wm. Carlisle, 12 Chinese and 1 Japanese.
Per Kashing, from Manila—Messrs. C. H. Mills, L. S. Blanchette, C. T. Madison, G. A. Godfrey, W. A. Freeman, J. A. Gekersen, Myer Harris, Lt. Hilden Olin, J. D. Cameron, Wong Chai Lam, Francis Sing Liagostera, F. Wickman, and 17 Chinese.
Per Freiburg, from Singapore—150 Chinese.
Per Glenfalloch, from Penang, &c.—283 Chinese.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.
Idaban, at Kowloon Dock.
Empress of Japan, at Kowloon Dock.
Bangkok, at Kowloon Dock.
Taitse, at Kowloon Dock.
Pembroke, at Kowloon Dock.
Borneo, at Kowloon Dock.
Hankow, at Kowloon Dock.
Nanyang, at Kowloon Dock.
Rosetta Maru, at Kowloon Dock.
Chingtu, at Kowloon Dock.

Steamers Expected.

Vessel	From	Agents	Due
Ryern	Shanghai	M. & Co.	Sept. 15
Seydlitz	Singapore	M. & Co.	Sept. 16
Persia	Shanghai	M. & Co.	Sept. 16
Coptic	Japan	O. & O. Co.	Sept. 17
Java	Singapore	S. W. & Co.	Sept. 17
F. Ferd. n.d.	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	Sept. 17
Tai ar	Japan	C. C. Co.	Sept. 18
Atoll	Japan	C. C. Co.	Sept. 18
Annam	Singapore	M. M. Co.	Sept. 21
America Maru	Japan	P. M. Co.	Sept. 23
Australian	P. Darwin	G. L. & Co.	Sept. 24
Emp. of China	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	Sept. 28
Kagoshima M.	Hombay	N. Y. K. Co.	Sept. 29
Korea	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Oct. 1
Indravelli	Portland	P. & A. Co.	Oct. 5

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—12th August—Fairlie, Regina, 14th August—Agamemnon, Lennox, Brigg, Australian, 19th August—Indramayo, Bentauers, Simoon, St. Pillans, Freiburg, 21st August—Jason, Java, 25th August—Glen-shiel, 28th August—Macduff, Candia, Kanagawa Maru, Pak Ling, Annam, 1st September—Glenloch, Nippon, Hermann, Lerch, 5th September—Sophie, Rickmers, Hermiston, Kaitou, Stenar, Culchac, 8th September—Roos, Shanghai, Trieste, Monmouthshire, 12th September—Mulla, Sado Maru, Benwick, Albion, Tantalus, Lydia, 14th September—Anana, 8th September—Japan, Sanuki Maru, Warsaw, 14th August—Hyon, Kanawaki Maru, Nubia, 19th August—Hudson, Alcinous, Preussen, Ernest, Simoni, Flinshire, 21st August—Bingo Maru, 25th August—Kostroma, Glen-jarg, Polynesien, Suevia, Vindobona, 28th August—Manila, 1st September—Princess Marie, Benlomond, Tamba Maru, 5th September—Arara, Tiberghien, Manchuria, 8th September—Glenesh, Prinz Heinrich, Hamburg, 12th September—Glenagarry, Ceylon, Nurnberg, Prometheus, Yarra.

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.
Arnold Luyken, Ger. s.s., 1,095, Ueberfeldt, 1st Sept., Saigon 28th Aug., Flour—E. A. T. Co.
Bangkok, Ger. s.s., 1,237, Busche, 6th Sept., Bangkok 30th Aug., Rice—Order.
Borneo, Ger. s.s., 2,068, Muhle, 3rd Sept., Sandakan 28th Aug., Timber and Gen.—M. & Co.
Catherine Apar, Br. s.s., 1,730, Stewart, 6th Sept., Calcutta 22nd Aug., Penang 29th, and Singapore 31st, Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.
Chingtu, Br. s.s., 1,459, Hovie, 6th Sept., Sydney 15th Aug., and Port Darwin 29th, Gen.—B. & S.
Clara, Ger. s.s., 1,103, Bendixen, 9th Sept., Hongay and Hoihow 6th Sept., Coal and Pigs—J. & Co.
Elisabeth Rickmers, Ger. s.s., Nebinger, 3rd Sept., Swatow 2nd Sept., Rice and Wood—A. K. & Co.
Ellen Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 987, Henrichsen, 11th Sept., Swatow 10th Sept., Gen.—A. K. & Co.
Emma Luyken, Ger. s.s., 2,000, Martens, 6th Sept., Saigon 2nd Sept., Rice—E. A. T. Co.
Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,003, Pybus, R.N.R., 8th Sept., Vancouver 18th Aug., and Shanghai 5th Sept., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
Finsbury, Br. s.s., 1,000, Jones, 10th Sept., Hamburg 21st July, and Port Said 10th Aug., Gen.—S. W. & Co.
Hopsang, Br. s.s., 1,359, Hay, 4th Sept., Samarang 26th Aug., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
Kinshu Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,389, Harrison, 12th Sept., Bombay 29th Aug., and Singapore 6th Sept., Gen.—N. Y. K.
Machew, Ger. s.s., 996, Hayes, 8th Sept., Bangkok and Swatow 7th Sept., Rice—M. & Co.
Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3,000, McGregor, 4th Sept., Wellington, N.Z. 5th Aug., Coal—Naval Stores.
Oscar, Norw. s.s., 2,000, Olsen, 3rd Sept., Moji 27th Aug., Coal—M. B. K.
Patrol, Br. s.s., 1,229, Dunmull, 3rd Sept., Singapore 29th Aug., Telegraph Cable—E. & A. T. Co.
Phra Chula Chom Klao, Ger. s.s., 1,568, Bohm, 9th Sept., Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 3rd Sept., Rice and Gen.—B. & S.
Rosetta Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,402, Smith, 11th Sept., Manila 9th Sept., Gen.—T. K. K.
Shini Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,056, Oshida, 27th Aug., Moji 20th Aug., Coal—Order.
Sibesia, Am. s.s., 1,124, Smith, 4th Sept., San Francisco 8th Aug., and Shanghai 2nd Sept., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,741, Young, 12th Sept., Kraksaan 3rd Sept., Sugar—J. M. & Co.
Tacoma, Am. s.s., 2,995, Ridley, 9th Sept., Tacoma via Moji 4th Sept., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Taichow, Ger. s.s., 862, Schultz, 12th Sept., Bangkok 4th Sept., Rice—B. & S.
Fai Lee, Ger. s.s., 823, Nielsen, 9th Sept., Hoihow 13th Sept., Sugar and Gen.—Meyer & Co.
Tosa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,610, Christiansen, 8th Sept., Seattle and Shanghai 5th Sept., Gen.—N. Y. K.

SAILING VESSELS.

Forthbank, Br. bq., 1,312, Young, 27th Aug., Cebu 28th June, Ballast.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Helena Wyman, Am. bq., 1,511, Vanhorn, 10th Aug., Singapore 1st Aug., Ballast.—Master.
Ivy, Aust. bq., 1,105, Stelson, 1st Sept., Fremantle 29th July, Kerosine Oil.—J. M. & Co.
Roanoke, Am. bq., 3,347, Ambury, 7th Sept., Shanghai 4th Sept., Gen.—A. K. & Co.

Shipping Report.
Str. Erase from Chefoo:—Moderate and fresh N. and N.E. wind, fine weather.
Str. Namsang from Calcutta:—Light S.W. winds, slight sea, and fine throughout.
Str. Loongsang from Manila:—Light variable winds, and rainy weather, sea moderate.
Str. Kashing from Shanghai:—Fresh N.E. monsoon, and heavy rain throughout and high following sea.
Str. Waihora from Straits:—Moderate monsoon to Paracels, and from there Ely winds and confused sea and rain.
Str. Kaifong from Manila:—Experienced strong S. to S.E. winds, squally hard rain, thick weather throughout, sea rough.
Str. Thales from Foochow:—There to Amoy light S.E. wind, smooth sea, and fine clear weather; Amoy to port moderate N.E. wind, and following sea, with heavy rain showers.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for—
Canton—Per *Human*, 15th inst., 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Thales*, 15th inst., 9 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per *Macduff*, 15th inst., 9 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Catherine Apar*, 15th inst., 11 A.M.
Sandakan—Per *Borneo*, 15th inst., 11 A.M.
Kobe—Per *Kinshu Maru*, 15th inst., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshien*, 15th inst., 1.15 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Suisang*, 15th inst., 2 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Choyang*, 15th inst., 3 P.M.
Kumchuk and Samshui—Per *Tungtung*, 15th inst., 4 P.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 15th inst., 5 P.M.
Namtau—Per *Taichun*, 15th inst., 5 P.M.
Sambue—Per *Lee Wing*, 15th inst., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Foswan*, 15th inst., 5 P.M.
Macao, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Siberia*, 15th inst., 5 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong—Per *Hongkong*, 16th inst., 9 A.M.
Bangkok—Per *P. C. C. Klao*, 16th inst., 10 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per *Bayern*, 16th inst., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per *Kaifong*, 16th inst., 3 P.M.
Yokohama, Kobe and Tsingtau—Per *Freiburg*, 16th inst., 5 P.M.
Tientsin—Per *E-Sang*, 18th inst., 2 P.M.
Manila—Per *Loongsang*, 18th inst., 3 P.M.
Manila—Per *Rubi*, 19th inst., 9 A.M.
Shanghai, Chemulpo, Dalny and Port Arthur—Per *Pronto*, 19th inst., 11 A.M.
Cebu and Iloilo—Per *Perla*, 19th inst., 3 P.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per *Taichun*, 22nd inst., 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle—Per *Tosa Maru*, 22nd inst., 3 P.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Eastern*, 23rd inst., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of Japan*, 23rd inst., 11 A.M.
Chefoo and Tientsin—Per *Nanchang*, 23rd inst., 4 P.M.
Manila—Per *Zufro*, 26th inst., 9 A.M.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—
 On the 14th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen moderately over E. Japan, fallen slightly over M. China and the Philippines.
 Pressure is high over N.E. Japan, and relatively low over the Pacific to the E. of Luzon. Gradients slight on the China coast and over the N. part of the China Sea, chiefly for N.E. winds.
 Forecast:—E. or variable winds, light; fine.

Barometer	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Temperature	29.97	29.91
Humidity	69	78
Rainfall	2.78	94

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

		September 14th, 1903, a.m.		Bar. Th. Hu. Wind W.	
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	30.64	59	99	—
Nemuro	6 a.m.	30.74	—	—	—
Hakodate	6 a.m.	30.71	—	—	—
Kochi	6 a.m.	30.10	—	—	—
Nagasaki	6 a.m.	29.99	—	—	—
Kagoshima	6 a.m.	30.03	—	—	—
Oshima	6 a.m.	30.00	—	—	—
Ishigakijima	6 a.m.	29.97	—	—	—
Taihouku	5 a.m.	29.93	—	—	—
Taichu	5 a.m.	29.93	—	—	—
Tainan	5 a.m.	29.94	—	—	—
Koshun	5 a.m.	29.94	—	—	—
Pescadore	5 a.m.	29.94	—	—	—
Weihawei	5 a.m.	29.94	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	5 a.m.	30.02	81	83	NR
Shanghai	5 a.m.	29.99	81	87	NR
Amoy	5 a.m.	29.97	80	86	NW
Swatow	5 a.m.	29.98	81	—	N
Canton	5 a.m.	29.99	83	83	E
Hongkong	5 a.m.	29.99	83	83	E
Victoria Peak	5 a.m.	29.96	—	—	ESE
Gap Rock	5 a.m.	29.96	—	—	RNE
Macao	5 a.m.	29.96	84	—	SE
Haiphong	5 a.m.	29.88	84	77	WNW
Manila	5 a.m.	29.88	84	77	WNW
Bacolod	5 a.m.	29.90	82	—	N
Colo	5 a.m.	29.90	82	—	NNE
Ilebo	5 a.m.	29.92	85	—	—
C. St. James	5 a.m.	29.92	85	—	—

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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125 3/8	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8=\$18 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$630 sa.
National Bank of China, Ltd., Do. Founders.....	£ 1	3 1/4=\$1.95 for 1902	\$28 sa. \$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of Cton, Ltd.	\$ 100	60 per cent=\$30 per share for 1901	\$500 b.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 %=\$7 for year ended 30.4.1902.	\$60 b.
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Interim of £1 for 1902	Tls. 225
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 %=\$12 for 1901	\$135
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	28 %=\$14 per share for 1901	\$181 sa.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	32 1/2 per share for 1901	\$125
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$86 b.
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/4 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$33
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902.	\$83 b.
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1900.	\$19 s.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1902.	\$36 b.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1.20 } = 12% for year ending 30.6.1903	\$17
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 1	30.4.03	\$27
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1.2/-
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited.	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 44
		First year	Tls. 58 s.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$95
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 20.9.02	Tls. 60 sa.
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$1 1/2
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Fcs. 60 for 1902	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$9 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 1 of 1/6 per share 10.10.02	Tls. 6.50 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	12 %=\$6 for 1 year 30.6.03.	\$204
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03	Tls. 140
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903.	\$86 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2 b.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 220 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9 1/2 sa.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$154 sa.
K'ien Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$35 s.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903	\$50 1/2
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$5 for first 4-year 1903	\$145 sa.
Oriente Hotel Co., Ltd. (Manila)	\$ 50	8 %=\$4 for 1-year ending 31.12.1900	\$57 b.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$28 ex d. b.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Queen's Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	Tls. 25	First year	Tls. 25
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$10 b.
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 100 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 40 cents, account 1902/1903	\$15 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 36 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 40 s.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 40 s.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00	Tls. 200
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250 b.
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
Shanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 %=\$1.20 per share for 1902	\$22
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$9 1/2
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$14 b.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$15 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent=\$3.75 for 1902	\$47 1/2
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$4 for 1903	\$250 s.
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902	\$320 s.
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	75 cents for year ending 31.7.1902	\$12 b.
Hongkong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 per cent.=\$2 1/2 for 1901	\$40
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 12.6.		\$5 1/2
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03	\$9 b.
Do. Founders	\$ 10	\$29.70 }	\$200 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 6 %	\$15 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	None	\$5
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 %=\$2 1/2 for half-year 1901	\$50
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$9
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch. en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	3rd Interim Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 2 1/2 per share paid 15.6.1903	Tls. 270 sa.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	First year	\$50
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